

**MINUTES OF THE
SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT**

Tuesday, May 19, 2015 – 4:00 p.m. – Room 450 State Capitol

Members Present:

President Wayne L. Niederhauser
Speaker Gregory H. Hughes
Sen. Gene Davis
Sen. Karen Mayne
Sen. Ralph Okerlund
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck
Rep. James A. Dunnigan
Rep. Brian S. King

Staff Present:

Mr. Bryant R. Howe, Deputy Director
Mr. Eric N. Weeks, Deputy General Counsel
Ms. Phalin L. Flowers, Administrative Assistant

Note: A list of other present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1. Subcommittee Business

President Niederhauser called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

MOTION: Speaker Hughes moved to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2014, meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Davis and Rep. Dunnigan absent for the vote.

2. Annual Performance Review

Mr. Jonathan Ball, Legislative Fiscal Analyst, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, distributed and discussed "LFA Performance Review." He discussed the goals and objectives of his office and reviewed statistics for on target revenue estimates, correct appropriations bills, unrevised fiscal notes, and timely fiscal notes. Mr. Ball also reviewed accomplishments and awards his office attained during the 2014 interim and the 2015 General Session.

Mr. John Fellows, General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, distributed and discussed "Legal Services Provided to the Legislature by the Attorneys in the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel." He reviewed the various legal services the office provides to the Legislature.

Mr. Michael Christensen, Director, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, distributed and discussed "Utah Legislature General Session Statistics 2003-2015." He reviewed bill load statistics for the past 13 general sessions and provided an overview of his job responsibilities and how they benefit the Legislature. Mr. Christensen also shared comments from committee chairs and minority leadership on how attorneys and analysts in the office are performing.

Mr. John Schaff, Legislative Auditor General, Office of the Legislative Auditor General, gave a presentation on the number of audits his office completes. He also noted that the rate of implementation for audit recommendations made by his office is in the mid to upper 90 percentile and that the rate is high because his staff works closely with each agency they audit.

3. Consideration of Compensation Adjustments

MOTION: Speaker Hughes made a motion to set the hourly rate of pay for the Director of the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, the Legislative Auditor General, the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, and the Legislative General Counsel at \$74.03, effective for the pay period beginning on June 20, 2015. This increase includes the 2.25 percent general salary increase and 0.75 percent discretionary salary adjustment provided by the Legislature in 2015 General Session H.B. 8, "State Agency and Higher Education Compensation Appropriations." The motion passed unanimously.

4. Other Business

No other business was discussed.

5. Adjourn

MOTION: Speaker Hughes moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

President Niederhauser adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.